

# made for MORE

## **Questions for Application for the Week of March 10, 2014** **Made for More. Ephesians 2:1-10**

1. We see from Ephesians 2:1-10 that the gospel message is more than coming to Jesus and then waiting until heaven, there is life to be lived now in Christ. Do you ever find yourself departmentalizing or limiting the gospel message by forgetting it's good news for now too? Are there any areas that are "off limits" in your heart for God to do HIS work in you?

2. In doing good works, sometimes we can find ourselves being tempted to think we're either earning greater favor in God's eyes (or others), or we may lean to using our "good works" to justify or excuse other behavior. Either way is devoid of the Gospel message. Do you see yourself as leaning in either of these directions? What is the catalyst to changing this?

3. When it comes to "Good works" vs. "Good Things", are you conscience of the desire of your heart to do good things with wrong motives? What is an example of how you struggled with this during this past week? What would have been a gospel-informed approach in this situation?

4. Read 2 Peter 1:3-4. What are some things God has been changing in your heart in recent days that shows his divine power at work in your life (marriage, job, family, etc)?

5. Read Romans 7:21-25 as a group. We see even Paul struggles daily against his own flesh and its' desires. Paul recognizes that in his innermost heart he wants to obey God's law, but his flesh is weak and will not be made completely free of this "body of death" until with Christ face to face. Since we're not with Christ yet face-to-face, are there some areas you need to own tonight as being vulnerable to the passions of your flesh? How can Jesus rescue you from this? How can you respond wisely in owning this as weakness?